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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Funded by new revenue, bridge maintenance in Nampa and Boise begins in August

BOISE—Maintenance of two bridges in Ada and Canyon counties, funded through new revenue, will begin in early August.

In Nampa, work to preserve the bridge deck surface, joints and railing of the Middleton Road overpass above Interstate 84, will require the bridge to be closed in early August until late September. This maintenance coincides with current paving work by the Nampa Highway District on Middleton Road.

While the bridge closure is in place, motorists will be detoured to Midland Boulevard. During the last phase of the project, there will be some lane restrictions on I-84. Posted signs will indicate when this work will occur.

In Boise, maintenance of the Federal Way bridge over Broadway Avenue (US 20/26) will begin in early August. Lane restrictions will be in place on Federal Way, between the Broadway Avenue on- and off-ramps during daytime hours. Some work below the bridge structure will require lane reductions on Broadway Avenue during overnight hours. These restrictions will be posted.

Completion of the Federal Way bridge is scheduled in October.

Cannon Builders is the contractor. The contract amount is \$1.07 million.

Preserving the life of each bridge deck helps extends the life of the entire bridge structure. Replacing a bridge can be costly. Routine maintenance and repairs help reduce the need to replace a bridge before it is necessary.

The Idaho Transportation Board advanced a group of 27 critically needed road and bridge projects in 2015 using funds allocated by the Idaho Legislature for the state's first transportation-revenue increase in nearly two decades. Doing so enabled the advancement of dozens of other critically needed road and bridge projects statewide in the future. This is one of the "second year" group of projects.